## Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of	)	
Lincoln County, Nevada	)	File No.: EB-FIELDWR-14-00016399
Registrant of Antenna Structure No. 1282229	)	NOV No.: V201432900023
Coyote Springs, Nevada	)	

## NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Released: July, 17, 2014

By the District Director, Los Angeles Office, Western Region, Enforcement Bureau:

- 1. This is a Notice of Violation (Notice) issued pursuant to Section 1.89 of the Commission's rules (Rules)<sup>1</sup> to Lincoln County, Nevada (Lincoln County), registrant of antenna structure number 1282229 located in Coyote Springs, Nevada. Pursuant to Section 1.89(a) of the Rules, issuance of this Notice does not preclude the Enforcement Bureau from further action if warranted, including issuing a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture for the violations noted herein.<sup>2</sup>
- 2. On June 19, 2014, in response to a complaint, agents of the Enforcement Bureau's Los Angeles Office inspected antenna structure number 1282229 located at coordinates 36° 48' 38" North Latitude and 114° 57' 23" West Longitude and observed the following violations:
  - a) 47 C.F.R. § 17.51 (a): "All red obstruction lighting shall be exhibited from sunset to sunrise unless otherwise specified." During the night time observation, the agent observed no red obstruction lighting on the tower.
  - b) 47 C.F.R. § 17.48(a): "The owner of any antenna structure which is registered with the Commission and has been assigned lighting specifications referenced in this part shall report immediately by telephone or telegraph to the nearest Flight Service Station or office of the Federal Aviation Administration any observed or otherwise known extinguishment or improper functioning of any top steady burning light or any flashing obstruction light, regardless of its position on the antenna structure, not corrected within 30 minutes. Such reports shall set forth the condition of the light or lights, the circumstances which caused the failure, the probable date for restoration of service, the FCC Antenna Structure Registration Number, the height of the structure (AGL and AMSL if known) and the name, title, address, and telephone number of the person making the report." At the time of the inspection, the agent reported the antenna tower light outage to

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.89.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.89(a).

- the FAA and initiated the issuance of a Notice to Airmen (NOTAM). The FAA advised that a NOTAM had not been reported by the tower owner.
- c) 47 C.F.R. § 17.4(g): "...the Antenna Structure Registration Number must be displayed in a conspicuous place so that it is readily visible near the base of the antenna structure. Materials used to display the Antenna Structure Registration Number must be weather-resistant and of sufficient size to be easily seen at the base of the antenna structure." At the time of the inspection, the antenna structure registration number was not displayed.
- d) 47 C.F.R. § 17.57: "The owner of an antenna structure for which an Antenna Structure Registration Number has been obtained must notify the Commission within 24 hours of completion of construction (FCC Form 854-R) and/or dismantlement (FCC Form 854)." At the time of the inspection, the FCC's antenna structure registration database listed the status of the antenna structure as "Granted" instead of "Constructed." Lincoln County did not notify the Commission of the construction completion.
- 3. Pursuant to Section 403 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,<sup>3</sup> and Section 1.89 of the Rules, we seek additional information concerning the violations and any remedial actions taken. Therefore, Lincoln County must submit a written statement concerning this matter within twenty (20) days of release of this Notice. The response (i) must fully explain each violation, including all relevant surrounding facts and circumstances, (ii) must contain a statement of the specific action(s) taken to correct each violation and preclude recurrence, and (iii) must include a time line for completion of any pending corrective action(s). The response must be complete in itself and must not be abbreviated by reference to other communications or answers to other notices.<sup>4</sup>
- 4. In accordance with Section 1.16 of the Rules, we direct Lincoln County to support its response to this Notice with an affidavit or declaration under penalty of perjury, signed and dated by an authorized officer of Lincoln County with personal knowledge of the representations provided in Lincoln County's response, verifying the truth and accuracy of the information therein,<sup>5</sup> and confirming that all of the information requested by this Notice which is in the licensee's possession, custody, control, or knowledge has been produced. To knowingly and willfully make any false statement or conceal any material fact in reply to this Notice is punishable by fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the U.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 403.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.89(c).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Section 1.16 of the Rules provides that "[a]ny document to be filed with the Federal Communications Commission and which is required by any law, rule or other regulation of the United States to be supported, evidenced, established or proved by a written sworn declaration, verification, certificate, statement, oath or affidavit by the person making the same, may be supported, evidenced, established or proved by the unsworn declaration, certification, verification, or statement in writing of such person . . . . Such declaration shall be subscribed by the declarant as true under penalty of perjury, and dated, in substantially the following form . . . : 'I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date). (Signature)'." 47 C.F.R. § 1.16.

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5. All replies and documentation sent in response to this Notice should be marked with the File No. and NOV No. specified above, and mailed to the following address:

Federal Communications Commission Los Angeles Office 18000 Studebaker Rd., Suite 660 Cerritos, CA 90703

- 6. This Notice shall be sent to the Lincoln County at its address of record.
- 7. The Privacy Act of 1974<sup>7</sup> requires that we advise you that the Commission will use all relevant material information before it, including any information disclosed in your reply, to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure compliance.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 18 U.S.C. § 1001 et seq. See also 47 C.F.R. § 1.17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> P.L. 93-579, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3).